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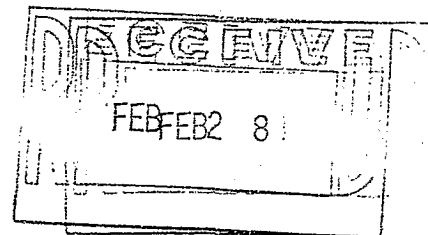
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Dear Dr. Mcallister:

I found out some time ago from a few of my scientific colleagues of your program to support biomedical research carried out in academic institutions. Because I was working in Oak Ridge National Laboratory, I did not explore the possibility of research support from your organization. However, since I moved to my current position a few months ago I am extremely interested in applying for a grant from the Council for Tobacco Research.

The general focus of research in my laboratory is DNA repair and mutagenesis in mammalian cells. Our studies in the past few years involved the cloning of human and mouse repair genes and cDNAs for alkylation damage. These studies are being supported by NIH R01 Grants. I would like to explore the possibilities of cloning DNA repair genes involved in drug resistance in tumor cells. This is a new unfunded project which will complement studies in my NIH projects.

I have joined the newly created Sealy Center for Molecular Science in the University of Texas Medical School in Galveston. The broad theme of the Center is DNA repair and mutagenesis in various systems and we are well equipped to carry out the proposed work.

I am looking forward to hearing your response and hope that you will favorably consider my request and send me the necessary application materials for a research grant.

Yours sincerely,

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